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—Franklin.

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"Alehouse Annie" Found Behind Lunch Wagon

As we went to press it was reported from New York that the disappearance of "Alehouse Annie" had been solved. She was found in a tarpaulin covered crate behind a lunch room.

The great Westminster Kennel Club dog show was held in Madison Square Garden in New York City last week as usual each year and this year there were 2,540 dogs competing from all sections of the country.

The dogs all are cared for by their owners or representatives and at the close of the show are shipped back to their owners in their individual crates.

Thus in the check-off of dogs, the New York papers announced that three dogs had vanished and the police were at once called in. Perhaps they had been stolen, perhaps they had been loaded in error on the wrong truck. A searching investigation was at once started by the police.

Of the three dogs missing, one was owned by a Mrs. Carter of Louisville, Ky., another by a Mr. Chisholm of Middletown, N. Y., and the third by Howard C. Rice, editor of the Brattleboro Vt. Recorder. Senator Rice, well known in Northfield by many friends, had exhibited his eleven months old Irish terrier, Alehouse Annie, and she was awarded first in the puppy bitch class and was valued at \$2,000. She was a beautiful dog and it is hoped the missing dogs will be found.

English Class All Gummed-up

For many years Harry Erickson, Mount Hermon teacher, has had as a strict classroom rule, "No gum chewing, unless you bring enough for everybody." This has stifled even the most ambitious gum-chewers among his pupils.

Last week however, Mr. Erickson was to be seen chewing on a fat stick of bubble gum. (No report was made on the bubbles.)

Some enterprising student had at long last brought "enough for everybody" and placed the entire supply on Mr. Erickson's desk.

Mr. Erickson is now thinking of a new fool-proof admonition. The gum has lost its flavor.

Friendly Class Social Hears About England

A Friendly Class Social was held on Monday, February 16, at the home of Mrs. Gerald Quigley. Following the business meeting a report on the progress of rehearsals for the play "Peg O' My Heart" was made by Miss Sophie Servaes.

The speaker for the evening was Rev. Arthur Hopkinson, Pastor of the Methodist Church in Greenfield. Rev. Hopkinson gave a detailed account of a visit of his old home in England.

He told of the emotions and sensations of the trip over by plane, and the unexpected meeting with his mother on the street in his home town.

Rev. Hopkinson spoke of how the British are living on such tight rations, that he wondered how he could stand it for two months. He remarked further that the bulk of the diet was vegetables, and lettuce was served at every meal; with rationed items served by the ounce to each person. Everyone from 7 to 70 had been taught to say, "No thank you, I'm not hungry" when visiting at mealtime.

However, Rev. Hopkinson continued, the children are well cared for and that the health of the average Britisher is good.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. George Sheldon and Mrs. Florence Phelps.

Miss Brown Retires From State Hospital

Miss Mildred Brown, formerly of this town, class of 1900 at the Northfield Seminary and for the past 25 years a hydrotherapist at the Northampton State hospital retired on December 31 last, according to the hospital paper "The Hilltopper".

An informal tea was given at the home of Dr. Arthur N. Ball, hospital superintendent, and Mrs. Ball, where Miss Brown received her many associates. Misses Joan Houston and Karen Duke entertained with violin and piano music.

Pink poinsettias and white candles decorated the tea table, where Miss Helen Fitzgerald presided. Mrs. Ball was assisted in entertaining by a group of hospital staff members' wives and several friends of Miss Brown.

Grange Holds Regional Meeting

The State Grange organization held a regional meeting in Greenfield, Monday, February 16. Over twenty granges were represented, with 10 Northfield officers attending. Among those taking part in the meeting were: State Master L. Roy Hawes, State Lecturer Mrs. Dorothy Warden, and several State Deputies. The Fourth Degree was exemplified.

Local members reported it to have been the best meeting they had attended in a long time.

March of Dimes

Superintendent of School Robert N. Taylor, director of the March of Dimes collections in the Town of Northfield, reports that Northfield contributed \$239.69 to the March of Dimes fund this year.

The amounts by divisions are as follows:

Coin Collectors	\$ 79.11
Dollar Memberships	85.00
Pupil Contributions	75.58

Total \$239.69
Northfield collected \$246.20 in 1947.

The Northfield Schools

In Russell Sage Chapel, Sunday morning, February 22, at 11 o'clock, Dr. Howard Thurman of the Fellowship Church of All Peoples in San Francisco, Calif., will be guest preacher and in Memorial Chapel at 10:30 o'clock Rev. Seymour Smith, chaplain of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, N. Y., will deliver the morning sermon.

Sunday afternoon, Feb. 22, Dr. William E. Park, president of the Northfield Schools, will speak at Emma Willard School in Troy, N. Y., and in the evening Dr. Park will preach in the Thompson Memorial Chapel at Williams College. On February 24, Dr. Park will be guest speaker at the Ninth Annual Religious Embassy at Pembroke College at Browne University in Providence, Rhode Island.

Mr. Lester P. White, alumni secretary of Mt. Hermon School, was a recent speaker at a meeting for the Stateline Fellowship at the South Vernon Church.

At the Cathedral of St. Pauls in Boston, Dr. Howard L. Rubendall, headmaster of Mt. Hermon School, will deliver the noon day Lenten services from Feb. 16 until Feb. 21.

"Hello, is this the Better Business Bureau?"
"Yes, it is."
"Well, how'd you like to come down and make ours a little better?"

Teacher—"Ants are the busiest insects."
Johnny—"Then how come they always have so much time to go to picnics."

"The Late Christopher Bean"

The Faculty of Northfield Schools presented "The Late Christopher Bean", a comedy in 3 acts by Sidney Howard. The final dress rehearsal was presented at Silverthorne Hall on the evening of February 12 with the following cast:

Dr. Haggett	William Morrow
Susan Haggett	Leila-Jane Smith
Abby	Marian Keller
Mrs. Haggett	Laurie Brown
Ada Haggett	Virginia Pierce
Warren Creamer	Kurt Loewus
Tallent	John Baldwin
Rosen	Raymond Patouillet
Davenport	Edward Nixon

The play revolved around the Jacobs with William Morrow assisting. Stage Manager was Frederick Bauer. Make-up by Pat Thomas and Ruth Jones. Prompters Jean Parker and Marietta Tower. The setting, the dining room of the Haggett home. Produced by special arrangement of Samuel French.

"The Late Christopher Bean" played the leading role in the play but he had been dead ten years.

The play revolved around the sudden rise of the departed Chris Bean from the status of wastrel and dabbler of fences to that of an esteemed painter whose paintings were suddenly in great demand.

This brought about the intrusion of an art dealer, an art critic and a forger into the New England village home of the struggling Haggetts. The sudden rise from obscurity of "Chris Bean" brought riches within the grasp of the meek and timid Haggetts, but a sudden twist left them where they had been - Dr. Haggett confronted with his uncollected bills and the rest of his family wondering about the probabilities of getting to Florida.

Greed, which had been the chief enemy of Dr. Haggett but the chief hope of his wife and daughter Ada, had almost enveloped the good-Dr. too, but the series of circumstances kept the taint of greed, or at least its fruits, from this house.

The business of art came in for a few sharp remarks and as Tallant said about a "Christ Bean masterpiece", "Don't touch it, the paint isn't dry yet."

As evidenced by the laughter of the large audience and the several curtain calls, the play was well received and the audience went home well pleased at having seen a highly professional performance.

With but a minor hitch here and there, which did not deter from the production one bit, the play went as smoothly as if it had been running for weeks. Some dress rehearsals have been known to bear little resemblance to the original play.

The cast, which seemed to be chosen with great fidelity for characterization, was excellent throughout. It is seldom that the

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Some "Shavings" Left Over From Last Week

Last week in commenting on "Shavings", presented at the Town Hall by the Northfield Players on Feb. 10 and 11, we were saving the good things until last, namely Miss Ellen Finch.

Apparently we saved too long, for the last paragraph was cut out altogether, due to the lack of space. Humble apologies to the little trouper, Miss Finch, for we enjoyed her "Babbie" as much as did the capacity audience at the performance, and hope to see her again on the Town Hall stage.

David Quinn, as "Charlie Phillips", contributed to the unfolding of the story and played his part well.

No mention of the dog in the third act was made on the program credits. Therefore no mention here.

The happy, at-long-last-united couple went to Madora, North Dakota for their honeymoon - why not Niagara Falls, it's much closer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Comer of Fairfield, Conn., announce the engagement of their granddaughter, Carola Forsyth Comer, to Mr. Edward Merriam Powell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Powell of Green Pastures, East Northfield, Mass.

Miss Comer attended Lauralton Hall, Milford, was graduated from the Northfield School for Girls and is now a sophomore at Mount Holyoke College. She is the daughter of Irene Comer, and her former husband, Frank von Daisenberger of California.

Mr. Powell was graduated from Mount Hermon School and attended the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., before entering the Army Air Corps in which he served for three years. At present he is working in the office of the Arthur P. Fitt Insurance Agency.

Pierson - Marshall
Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Pierson of Athol announce the engagement of their daughter Jean L. Pierson to George Edward Marshall son of Col. and Mrs. William M. Marshall of East Northfield.

Miss Pierson is a graduate of Athol High School and has been employed in Northfield. Mr. Marshall is a graduate of the Northfield Schools and served with the Navy Air Corps during the war and spent 33 months in the Pacific. No date has been set for the wedding.

THE PRESS Your Local Paper

Pioneer Valley Makes a Report

If vacationists were suddenly to stop coming to this region, hotels would lose nearly half their income, and the economy of the area would be dealt a serious blow. This dramatic fact was revealed today for the first time by the Pioneer Valley Association, from heretofore unpublished figures compiled for the Massachusetts Development and Industrial Commission, the promotional agency of the Commonwealth. (This is the first release of these figures. Strictly commercial hotels were not studied.)

This is a good record according to George V. Wallace, Jr., President of the Hadley Falls Trust Company of Holyoke, president of the Association, but hotels in other Massachusetts cities and towns have an even larger tourist business than we do. Exclusive of Suffolk County, Massachusetts attribute 64.3 per cent of their receipts to tourists.

It is possible, says Mr. Wallace, the better record of the state as a whole is partly due to the fact that the hotels in the state as a whole, spend twice as much for advertising as the Valley hotels. (1.22 per cent of receipts, as against 0.67 per cent.)

Receipts from vacationists staying at Pioneer Valley tourist homes and cabins also fall below the average for the state (outside of Boston). In 1947, more than 80 per cent of the income of the average place came from tourists, but in Hampshire, only 74.5 per cent; in Franklin, 63.5 per cent; and 37.5 per cent in Hampden County. These figures covered 155 places reporting in Pioneer Valley, and 1,551 reporting for the state.

Sponsored Movies

The Spencer Press in Brattleboro is preparing its summer schedule of moving picture showings and are seeking sponsors to fill out their commitments.

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Supt. Taylor Attends Conference

Superintendent of Schools Robert N. Taylor will attend the annual convention of the American Association of School Administrators at Atlantic City on February 21-26. The general theme of the conference is "The Expanding Role of Education". Outstanding speakers will address the General Session on this subject. Afternoons will be given over to discussion groups, of which there are more than thirty, which deal with the practical aspects of improving the school program.

Mr. Taylor is a member of two committees -- the Committee on Evaluation of Exhibits, and the Committee on Memberships.

American Unitarian Youth

The American Unitarian Youth group met on Sunday at the Church for a discussion of the arts, led by Russell Bigelow, who showed some of his pastel paintings and explained how he made them.

This coming week, the young people will meet at 7:15 at the Church, to hear a talk led by Rev. Mrs. Greider, on "Unitarian and their Beliefs". Following this Mrs. Greider will lead a discussion and question period.

Members and friends who have old clothes in which there is still warmth and wear, are asked to bring them for the A U Y clothing drive that is being held, or notify Russell Bigelow, chairman of the social service committee.

Red Cross Campaign

It is now expected that the campaign for memberships and gifts for the American Red Cross will be undertaken early in March throughout the nation. The plan is being organized for this section by the Franklin County chapter with chairmen in all of the twenty six towns. It is expected that George W. Carr will again be invited to take the lead here and name a large committee to undertake the solicitation. The drive will not be conducted in connection with the effort of the Community Chests as previously in either Orange or Greenfield but will be an independent appeal.

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Day after day the big city dailies print editorials and news stories about the deplorable conditions of public school buildings and the old fashioned teaching methods still being used in some public school systems. What can we expect when some of the laws pertaining to public education are one hundred years old. Surely, these antiquated laws do not serve the best interest of the child, the schools, or the communities.

The first step toward alleviating these conditions is an adequate financial program. A program to balance the increasing need against increasing cost. Consideration of this serious problem can no longer be put off. We pride ourselves on our high standard of living, yet in the field of education we fall far below the national level.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts gives 8.7% toward public education as compared to 30% averaged by the country as a whole.

Viewed from any angle, this is meager pickings, for the public schools in this state.

Let's do our part to get S. 164 enacted into law this year.

Northfield can use \$17,000 more state aid for public schools.

Write to your State Senator and Representatives to support S. 164. NOW!

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The mirror is there - all we need are people to look into it.

POET'S CORNER

(Contributions by local poets are welcome)

Music With You
Music I heard with you
Sings thro' me still -
Certain strains I cannot silence,
Try as I will.
Music with you was magic -
There is one brief note
Still beats like a wild bird's wing
Against my throat!

Betty H. Bell
(Reprinted from "Blue Moon")

THE "SQUEEZE" BOX

To the Editors:

Have received several copies of your weekly publication and have enjoyed them. The last two copies have made me aware of the transition you are attempting to make in your special features in an effort to improve reader appeal.

Hope you have a response to your "WANTED 1000 SUBSCRIBERS."

The local people couldn't go wrong for a dollar a year.

Your comments on Capote were one's which had been percolating in my own reactions to that nauseating photo he used for publicity purposes.

Best wishes.
Quincy, Mass.
February 16, 1948.

T. A. N.

The Philatelist

This column, if interest warrants, will be conducted each week for those stamp collectors in town who desire a medium for interchange of ideas about stamp collecting.

If you have problems concerning your stamp collection, or if strange stamps baffle you - write to the Press in care of this column, and your questions will be answered, at least we shall try our best to answer them.

Information concerning the issuance of new stamps will be printed as it is made available to us.

It is hoped that stamp enthusiasts will make this column both lively and interesting.

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A sparkling new addition to our shelves is "The Proper Bostonians", by Cleveland Amory. To quote the publishers note, "This is the first volume in the Society in America Series, independent volumes by distinguished writers devoted to the important cities and sections of this country. The aim of these volumes is to portray the individual characteristics, to underscore the idiosyncrasies and to trace the growth of sectional societies with special emphasis on local traditions and on the personalities who embodied them."

If this brief preface should lead you to believe that the "Proper Bostonians" is a dull and dry treatise on customs and traditions, we hasten to dispel any such ideas. The book is a riot of fact and fancy, of hard cold facts and dates, and delightful legends and anecdotes. Mr. Amory is a Proper Bostonian himself, and he tells of his fellow citizens with great good humor and affection. His trenchant wit is always tempered with a deep understanding of the truly remarkable qualities of the first families of the "Land of the Bean and the Cod."

This is the kind of book that one may open at random and start reading with immediate interest. Mr. Amory manages to pack a dozen chuckles into every chapter without ever becoming frivolous

or undignified. Here is a typical paragraph:

"A Boston woman who, reluctantly transplanted to another part of the country, returned to be asked how she liked being home again. Having been well taught in the Proper Boston school, she was taken aback. 'Like it?' she said. 'Why, I never thought of it that way. Liking Boston is like saluting the flag!' And another paragraph: 'The Bostonian has no chamber of commerce approach to his city. It is not for him to talk it up. He expects his visitor to come, see and be conquered.'"

By all means, ask us for "The Proper Bostonians"! Our patrons speak enthusiastically of the following books: "Paul Dunbar and his Song" by Virginia Cunningham; "The Bishop's Mantle" by Agnes Sligh Turnbull; "Bright Promise" by Richard Sherman; "Came a Cavalier" by Frances Parkinson Keyes. Appearing in the February 9 issue of "Life", which is now available at the Library, is the first of a series of articles on Republican presidential candidates, Senator Robert A. Taft being the subject of this week's story.

B. H. B.

Colonial Chronicles

History in the Making
in Northfield

No. 2 in the Series

Generally the first settlers in Northfield had spent a few years in Northampton or Hadley. Prior to that they, or their parents, had come from the home country, landed in eastern Massachusetts, and moved to either the Connecticut or the New Haven Colony. During its early beginnings even Springfield was under the Connecticut influence. Around 1636 whole religious congregations were on the move under the guidance of their leaders. New Haven was settled under the leadership of Rev. John Davenport; Windsor under Rev. John Warham with his Dorchester parish; Hartford under Rev. Thomas Hooker with his Cambridge congregation; Weathersfield under Rev. Henry Smith with his Watertown flock; Springfield under Mr. William Pynchon (once a theological student) with his Roxbury followers. Then a controversy in Weathersfield and Hartford over some religious matter, possibly as to whether children of non-church members should be baptized, resulted in a request being made of the Massachusetts General Court by the followers of Rev. John Russell to settle on land granted them and bought from the Indians by the valley master trader, the Springfield Pynchon; thus the founding of Hadley about 1659, a few years after its neighbor Northampton. This latter town varied from the others in its genesis, its founders had to seek a minister, instead of being lead by one. The committeemen sent to invite Rev. Mather to join the colony was Deacon William Holton, the first by that name in New England and ancestor of the Northfield families.

To one who has devoted leisure to the adventure of genealogical research, as had George Sheldon and Herbert Parsons, tracing back Northfield's settlers to their immigrant predecessors and preserving their findings there has come a great satisfaction. Should one desire to try this hobby, certain libraries may reveal a rich harvest for some families.

For instance, town histories to be found in such libraries as Northfield, Greenfield, Springfield and Yale University have given up their secrets. What thrilling rewards are unearthed in this hobby. What queer incidents arise.

Next week's column will reveal the story of a woman about to be buried alive, fortunately escaping this fate this woman, Eulalia Burr, lived to propagate the beginnings of a distinguished line of illustrious Americans.

(to be continued)

Patient: "Doctor, how are my chances?"
Doctor: "Oh pretty good, but I would not start reading any continued stories."

THE LATE CHRISTOPHER

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entire cast of an amateur, in name only of course, group exhibits such uniform poise, excellence of acting and knowledge of stage business. This of course indicates the competent direction that was afforded the play.

A highly satisfying evening, short of Broadway, as a spectator was heard to say upon leaving.

FUNNY BONE

Whistler, the artist, had a French poodle of which he was extravagantly fond. The poodle was seized with an infection of the throat one day, and Whistler had the audacity to send for the great throat specialist, Mackenzie.

When Mackenzie saw that he had been called to treat a dog, he felt incensed, but said nothing. He prescribed, pocketed a big fee, and drove away.

The next day he sent posthaste for Whistler. And Whistler, thinking he was summoned on some matter connected with his beloved dog, dropped his work and rushed to the home of Mackenzie.

On his arrival, the great specialist said gravely, "How do you do, Mr. Whistler? I wanted to see you about having my front door painted."

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Sun. - Mon. Feb. 22 - 23
"MOTHER WORE TIGHTS"
Tues. Feb. 24
"NEVER SAY GOODBYE"
Errol Flynn - Eleanor Parker
Wed. - Thurs. Feb. 25 - 26
"UNFAITHFUL"
Ann Sheridan - Lew Ayres

PARAMOUNT
Brattleboro

Sun. - Tues. Feb. 22 - 24
"ALBUQUERQUE"
Randolph Scott - Barbara Britton
Wed. - Thurs. Feb. 25 - 26
"GLAMOUR GIRL"
and
"DRAGNET"
Fri. - Sat. Feb. 27 - 28
"BLONDIE'S ANNIVERSARY"
and
"SONG OF SIERRAS"

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TOWN TOPICS

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Hopkins of Greenfield were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnes on Monday, February 16.

Connecticut Valley Pomona Grange will meet Monday, February 23, in Bernardston. The supper will be served at 7 p.m. The business meeting and program will be at 8 p.m.

The sap can start to run anytime now, Roy Barrows is putting on the finishing touches to his sugar house.

The Rustic Ridge Association, Inc., will hold its annual meeting on the second Tuesday morning in August with the business meeting at Kenard Hall of the corporation and followed in the afternoon by a social gathering of the summer residents.

Rev. Ellis E. Jones of Vernon, Vt., was the speaker at the Annual Meeting on Founders Day of the So. Vermont and So. New Hampshire Club of the Northfield School

for Girls. The meeting was held at the Center Church in Brattleboro.

The first town in Franklin county to report its tax rate for 1948 is Heath and Commissioner Long has complimented its officials. The rate will be \$46.

Rev. Judson Stent of the faculty of Mount Hermon School was the preacher last Sunday morning at the Memorial chapel in Warwick.

The local Board of Registrars will be at the Town Hall on Tuesday, February 24th from noon to ten o'clock in the evening to add to their list of names of such voters who are eligible to vote at the coming special election on March 15.

On Tuesday evening, February 24 there will be a session of the Masonic Twelfth Lodge of Instruction with Mountain Lodge at Shelburne Falls which will be attended by local members of Harmony Lodge.

Flowers at the Congregational church services last Sunday were in memory of Mrs. Jean Wyllie given by the Wells family. The

Sunday previous flowers were by Mr. and Mrs. Unto Hantunen in memory of his father.

A movement is afoot to organize an association of Young Republicans in the county and has started in Greenfield with the appointment of a committee and temporary officers. J. Potter Smart is the chairman and he says that membership will be extended to all county towns. Enrollment in Northfield will be through a local representative soon to be named by the local Republican Town committee.

The Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion met in the home of Mrs. E. M. Powell on Thursday night.

A cheery letter was received by the editor of the Press from Mrs. P. W. Hart who is living in Chicago. She was a former resident of this town. She is in good health and wishes to be remembered to her many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Ray of Providence, R. I. are visiting at the home of their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scanlan on Birnam Road.

The Connecticut Valley Bible Conference will hold services at Grace Methodist Church of Turners Falls, Tuesday, February 24, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. John Lind of Bernardston will be the speaker.

Unique Offering

Grateful for a gift of books the United States had sent him, King Mongkut of Siam wanted to express his appreciation by a gift of elephants to President Lincoln in 1861. Learning that elephants were regarded as remarkable beasts in the United States, the king decided that a gift of young male and female elephants would be a great service to this country in the war which had just begun. They could be used for travel through the "jungle" and for carrying burdens, he pointed out in his letter. In courteously rejecting the offer, President Lincoln explained: "Our political jurisdiction does not reach a latitude so low as to favor the multiplication of the elephant, and steam on land, as well as on water, has been our best and most efficient agent of transportation in internal commerce."

Ancient Rug Weaving

Rug weaving is of ancient origin and there are still in existence rugs woven at least 18 centuries before the Christian era. Through the centuries the art of making oriental rugs has not changed and the old method of weaving a rug still is used. Upon a wooden framework, its size depending upon the size of the rug desired, are stretched strands to form the foundation or warp. To these threads are knotted tufts of wool or silk, or mixtures of these materials. The ends of the knotted pieces are allowed to protrude, all on the same side of the warp. After a row of such pieces has been added, a thread of the same material as the warp is run in alternately over and above the warp threads.



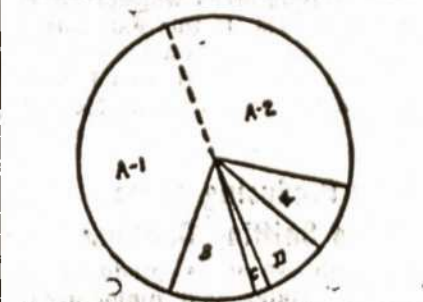
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Milk by-products are rich in lactose, or milk sugar, a natural laxative, which helps poultry maintain good intestinal health and minimizes the hazards of intestinal parasites. These milk by-products also provide minerals, particularly calcium and phosphorus and contain the water soluble vitamins of whole milk.

In preparing a balanced ration the object is to feed the correct proportion of the various nutrients that poultry require. In every case there is a point beyond which it is wasteful to include additional grain without providing other nutrients because the fowl cannot make complete economical use of all nourishment in additional grain.

Killing Chestnuts

The Asiatic blight which struck down native chestnut orchards in the United States, estimated at sums up to a hundred million dol-



Forest Fire Commissioner W. L. Shaddix inspecting chestnut burs for asiatic blight.

lars some 25 years ago, is still active, and doubt that it will pass over and let this luscious crop come back usually is accepted by well informed agriculturists.

Poultry Relish Grit; Aids Grinding Process

Grit is a material of value to poultry but full details are not yet definitely known, according to University of Delaware. It is certain that birds like it and, when grit is fed freely, they consume more than is actually needed. Grit containing a large amount of soluble calcium has been widely recommended but appears to have no advantage where other forms of calcium are included in the ration. Actually it might be detrimental, say Delaware specialists. Helping the gizzard in the grinding process is the only known function of grit. A hard mica grit of suitable size doubtless should be available to all chickens.

Productivity Depends Upon Organic Matter

The soil's ability to produce high crop yields needed to feed hungry millions depends on its organic matter supply. Soils rich in organic matter are good "sponges" for soaking up and holding rainfall for crops. Organic matter helps restore soil structure, improves tilth and helps plant roots get more nutrients from the soil. Use lime, fertilizers containing phosphorus and potash to get good catches of legumes.

OBITUARY

MILO C. SLAUGHT

Milo Coburn Slaughter, town employee and farmer, died on February 10, 1948 in Northfield.

He leaves a wife Anna and five children. Services were conducted by Dr. Bronson and the remains entombed at Northfield Farms Cemetery, on February 12, 1948.

FRANK EDISON EVANS

Frank Edison Evans, 77, lifelong resident of Northfield died after an illness at his home on Tuesday, February 17, 1948.

His parents were Harvey J. and Julia Evans of Warwick, Mass., and he was born in Northfield on April 13, 1871.

For over 26 years Mr. Evans was in partnership with Charles Robbins in the operation of a grocery store, with D. L. Moody being instrumental in setting the partners in business.

Following this, for more than ten years, Mr. Evans was in the lumber business along Mill Brook, being associated with his brother Roselle.

He retired some years ago. He leaves his wife, Mary (Russell); a sister, Mrs. Nettie Gilbert; and a niece, Mrs. Louis N. Potts.

Funeral services were held at his late home, with Rev. Joseph W. Reeves officiating, at 2 p. m., February 19, 1948.

Bearers were Louis Potts, Fred Holton, Richard Holton and Joseph Colton. Interment at Centre Cemetery, Northfield.

MISS ELMA C. LEVERING

Miss Elma C. Levering died at Linn Haven, Florida on Tuesday, December 16, 1947.

Flying Doctors Cover

Outposts in Australia

Australia's four "flying doctor" services carried 603 patients and flew 289,239 miles in the last year. In addition to this, many patients were treated at "outback" home-steads and nursing homes, while others received medical advice by radio while the doctors were flying to the patients.

By far the biggest organization is the Flying Doctor service of Australia, which flew more miles than all the other services together. The service operates from bases at Cloncurry, Charleville, Broken Hill, Alice Springs, Kalbarrie, Port Hedland and Wyndham. During the year, 508 flights were made, 197,163 miles were flown and 358 passengers carried.

The Australian Commonwealth department of health conducts the Northern Territory Aerial Medical service, which operates from Darwin over an area of 360,000 square miles, most of it sparsely populated and extremely rough country. Since its first flight on August 28, 1946, this service has covered 35,218 miles and has carried 58 patients.

CHAMPION CHICKEN



Fred Vieweg of Fitchburg, holds the grand champion 4-H Club entry at the 100th Boston Poultry Show. The bird, a Barred Plymouth Rock Cockerel, brought a special A&P Food Stores' award to its owner, 12-year old Clark R. Bordeaux of Barre, Mass.



The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, who is asking Episcopal Church members to give a million dollars in 1948 for the relief of needy peoples in war-devastated countries of Europe and Asia. The Church raised a million dollars for this purpose in 1947, and will attempt to give a similar amount in 1948 and a third million in 1949. Relief is given through Church World Service in Europe and the National Christian Councils in the Oriental countries.

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Sunday School, 11:45 a. m.
Loyal Workers, 6:30 p. m.
Prayer Services, 7:30 p. m.
Weekly prayer meeting, Thursdays at the Vernon home, 7:45 p. m.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. Helen D. Bassett, Pastor
10:30 a. m. The Sermon will be "Stories of Our Hymns."
11:30 a. m. Sunday School.
6:00 p. m. Young Peoples Meeting.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening service.

UNITARIAN CHURCH
Rev. Hazel Roger Gredler
10:00 a. m. The Sunday School. Mrs. Carroll Miller, superintendent. Classes for all ages.
11:00 a. m. Church Service and Sermon. Anthem-choir. Children's Story—"Why the Evergreen Trees Never Lose Their Leaves."
Adult Sermon—"The Age-Long Quest for God."
7:15 p. m. The American Unitarian Youth group.

Beverly McCollum, president. Walter Kenney, Sunday night devotion. Topic, "Unitarianism and their Beliefs." Rev. Hazel R. Gredler.

Thursday, February 26, at 2 p. m. the Alliance will have a sewing meeting in the vestry. All ladies are asked to come.

TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister
10:00 a. m. Church School and Young People's Forum.
11:00 a. m. Worship. Second sermon in a series on "Great Lenten Texts." "The Field Is The World." Nursery for pre-school age children.

6:30 p. m. Pilgrim Fellowship for young people. James Reid will lead the devotional service. Mrs. James Gillespie will speak on "Breaking the Color Bar."

7:30 p. m. February meeting of the Standing Committee in the vestry.

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Quake-Riddled Chile Called Shakiest Region in World

Earthquakes have caused as many panics in Chile that now a mere rumor of an earthquake can start a panic. Recovering from a quake in 1939, which devastated six provinces, the shivering South American country even today is fighting earthquake rumors.

Early in 1939, following that earthquake, it was decreed that whoever was found guilty of spreading rumors about the dread tremors would be punished by public lashing to the beat of drum.

At any whisper of an earthquake, Chileans fear the worst, because their country is called the shakiest region in the world. Scientists who keep tab on the earth's seismic disturbances have found that Chile's quakes occur about 1,000 times to Japan's 400. These two countries lie at opposite sides of the world's most active earthquake zone, which almost encircles the Pacific ocean. Two out of every three major quake disasters in the world occur in this circum-Pacific zone. A study of Chile's earthquakes, both large and small, for a period of 17 years revealed more than 12,000.

Few of them, however, have been as devastating or as widespread as the one in 1939. If this earthquake had occurred on the Pacific coast of the United States, it would have been felt from Canada into Mexico.

Wheat Producing Areas Are Shifting Continuously

Although wheat is produced in nearly all states, four major areas account for about 85 per cent of all wheat acreage. The Southwestern area, where hard red winter wheat is produced, comprises Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Nebraska and Colorado. The Northwestern area, which produces hard red spring wheat and virtually all durum wheat grown domestically, consists of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana.

The largest acreage of soft red winter wheat is in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Missouri, all located in the eastern part of the Corn Belt. Soft red winter wheat is grown to a lesser extent in adjacent western, eastern and southeastern states. The Pacific coast area, producing white wheat, consists of Washington, Oregon and California as well as Idaho. Some of these types of wheat are produced also in secondary areas.

There has been considerable geographical shifting of production. Wheat acreage has declined in the states east of Ohio and also in Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and the Dakotas.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb. 20. Fortnightly meets - two one-act plays.

Feb. 23. Boy Scouts meet. Conn. Valley Pomona Grange meets at Bernardston.

Feb. 24. "Haven H. Spencer" Post of the American Legion meets in Legion Room at the Town Hall. Northfield Grange meets.

Feb. 25. The Girl Scouts will have a "scout party" in Congregational Church vestry at 7:30 p.m.

Feb. 27. Supper will be served in Vernon Union Church.

Mar. 1. Supper will be served in Vernon Union Church.

Mar. 2. The Northfield Historical Society Annual Dinner at the Bronson Home.

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